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Badwater Road Closed by More Flooding

The Badwater Road to Shoshone, California (Highway 178) was closed again this morning due to damage from strong thunderstorms and flash flooding in the southern end of the park. The park had just re-opened the road yesterday afternoon about a day ahead of schedule. The road will remain closed until a full assessment of the damage can be made. Park road crews are repairing damage to the northern end of the road and are still assessing damage in the more severely flooded southern end of the park.

The park remains open with all lodging and camping facilities open to the public. Park Superintendent J.T. Reynolds reminds visitors that, "they should drive cautiously due to debris and dust left by recent storms."

State Highway 190 between Death Valley Junction and Furnace Creek will remain closed until further notice. No commercial thru traffic will be allowed on park roads until Highway 190 is repaired. The rebuilding of the damaged section of road will take several months. For more information on current park road conditions, please check the park's web site at www.nps.gov/deva or call the park's information phone line at 760-786-3200.

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